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E.O.11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: EXPELLED ADN CORRESPONDENT LOEWE WISHES TO TRANSIT GDR
BACK TO FRG

1. FEDERAL AFFAIRS SENATOR STOBBE TOLD THREE MISSIONS ON JANUARY 10 THAT LOTHAR LOEWE, ADN CORRESPONDENT WHO HAD BEEN EXPELLED FROM GDR, WISHES TO TRANSIT GDR AUTOBAHN IN RETURNING TO FRG, AND HAS ASKED GERMAN AUTHORITIES FOR ADVICE. THE PROBLEM IS THAT LOEWE WAS EXPELLED FROM THE GDR ALLEGEDLY FOR HAVING VIOLATED GDR LAWS. THUS, POSSI-BILITY EXISTED THAT HE MIGHT BE ARRESTED IF HE RETURNED TOGDR JURISDICTION. HE WAS TOLD THAT NOT ONLY WAS HE BARRED AS CORRESPONDENT, HE WAS ALSO BARRED AS PRIVATE PERSON, I.E., HE COULD RECEIVE NO PERMISSION TO ENTER GDR UNDER NORMAL PROCEDURES FOR WEST BERLINERS AND WEST GERMANS.

2. HE ASKED THE SENAT FOR ADVICE, WHICH IN TURN QUERIED FONOFFICE AND TRANSPORT MINISTRY. BOTH OF THESE OFFICES EXPRESSED VIEW THAT GDR WOULD PROBABLY PERMIT HIM TO TRANSIT AUTOBAHN TO FRG. SENAT CONCURRED IN THIS OPINION, AND SO INFORMED LOEWE, CAUTIONING HIM TO " LEAVE CONFIDENTIAL

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THE CAMERA AT HOME".

3. THERE WAS CONSENSUS THAT IT WOULD PROBABLY TO SAFE FOR LOEWE TO TRY IT, AND THAT MOST EXTREME GDR MOVE WOULD PROBABLY BE TO DENY HIM PASSAGE AND SEND HIM BACK TO BERLIN.
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